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NEW WHITE BLEEDING HEART

DICENTRA *eximia Snowsprite—An exquisite new variety originating at our gardens and offered for the first time. The buds are the color of old ivory and open into snowy white pendant jewels hung in translucent splendor on gracefully nodding 12 to 18 inch stems. The foliage is cut and cut again into many lacy divisions and makes an ideal background for the virginal flowers. The leaves possess that cool greenness which is so characteristic of ferns and other woodland plants. Snowsprite blooms from mid-Spring onwards for many, many weeks. It is absolutely hardy from Maine to California and is not demanding in its culture. Give Snowsprite a loamy soil with ample humus and water while it is in active growth. In northern sections with relatively cool Summers this variety thrives in full sun or light shade. In hotter and drier areas more shade and moisture will make Snowsprite perform beautifully year after year. Order this exciting novelty for your perennial border, rock garden, or woodland planting. From pots, each \$1.15, postpaid.

WE HAVE NOT RAISED 1949 PRICES

one penny! Increased Parcel Post Express rates plus increased operating costs demand either increased prices to you or greater efficiency from us. Like many businesses we choose to hold prices down by more efficient operation. This is a direct saving to you!

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Do You Have Our Master Catalog?

**IMPORTANT
PLEASE
READ**

This supplement for 1949 should be used in conjunction with our 1948 Master Catalog or Perennial Aristocrats booklet. Most of you purchased \$3.00 or more in 1948 and received a Master Catalog without charge. If your copy is worn or has been lost, we shall be pleased to send you another free. Our master Catalog is an expensive publication so we must ask **35c** for it to help cover handling and postage from those who did not place an order in 1948 for at least \$3.00. Our Perennial Aristocrats booklet is a condensed listing of some of the most popular varieties in our Master Catalog. It is free on request.

FOR EASY MOVING . . .

More Plants from Pots!

Over a period of years we have been growing more and more plants in pots. These plants are kept in our "growing-on" greenhouse just long enough to become established. Then they are "plunged" up to their rims in sand in coldframes. The frames are well ventilated and the glass sash are used in Winter merely to keep off excessive rain or snow and when lowered to protect the stock from our frigid, drying "East Wind". The plants are not "forced" in the frames and we produce well rooted stock with compact tops. This is a great advantage in packing and shipping. We have access to the plants even during periods of rainy or freezing weather and they can be packed easily and sent on their way to you quickly. Plants from pots travel safely and establish very rapidly in your garden. For these reasons we shall be sending you some plants from pots this year that are not so listed in our last year's publications. We have so many letters in our files from satisfied customers confirming our own experiences with plants from pots that we feel confident you will like them too.

PHYSOSTEGIA—FALSE DRAGONHEAD



SEE
THE STORY
OF THIS
AND
MANY
OTHER
*New
Varieties
for 1949*
Inside
This
Supplement

*If You Plan to
Visit Our Gardens*

We have found it necessary to request all visitors to contact us in advance of their visits. Our business is conducted almost entirely on a mail order basis. As you can easily understand, it is impractical for one of our staff to drop his regular duties to conduct visitors and customers about the grounds. This is especially true during the shipping seasons when work goes on at a furious pace day and night because those seasons are so short and have such definite time limits. If you make a mutually convenient appointment with us, we shall be able to give you much more of our time. You are welcome but please get in touch with us in advance either by mail or phone (Portland exchange, CHerry 3208).

Please TURN OVER 

FLAMING QUEEN OF THE CORAL BELLS

HEUCHERA *Queen of Hearts—The reddest of the red Coral Bells and far superior to the older varieties. Enjoy this pure color delight in your garden this year! From the tidy mounds of scalloped leaves pop up a long succession of slender sprays of rich scarlet blooms. These flower stems are 10 to 15 inches long and make charming old fashioned bouquets or striking modern arrangements. Queen of Hearts adds sparks of fire to any perennial border or rock garden and makes an ideal low edging for walks, patios, terraces and like places. Give it sun or light shade and a loamy soil and have color many months of each year every year. Queen of Hearts is the best Coral Bell to date and is hardy and virtually "foolproof" if given ordinary care. From pots for easy moving, each 60c, three \$1.60, six \$3.00, all postpaid.



QUEEN OF HEARTS CORAL BELL

MISTY DOUBLE PINK BABYSBREATH

GYPSOPHILA Flamingo—At last we have the tall pink counterpart of Rosy Veil, that fine old dwarf variety. Flamingo has all the fine qualities of the other double Gypsophilas plus soft pink color. It creates the same airy, misty effects in the garden and old fashioned bouquets and blooms in the Summer when flowers tend to be scarce in the border. Flamingo is iron-clad regarding hardiness and requires only a sunny spot to flourish. It will tolerate rather heavy limy soils and will withstand considerable drought once established. This variety makes a rounded "bush" 2 to 3 feet high and as much across when in full bloom. It should be cut back to within six inches of the ground in the Fall. Each 85c, three \$2.30, six \$4.25, all postpaid.

New

for 1949:

WE PAY ALL POSTAGE
AND EXPRESS CHARGES

AN ORCHID THAT ISN'T

ROSCOEIA Humeana—Early Summer visitors to our gardens invariably admire our fine yellow and purple "orchids". They have good reasons for being fooled by these members of the true Ginger Family. Both in leaf and flower the plants closely resemble Orchids (see the illustration on page 27 of our Master Catalog). Of all the plants for the shaded garden this and *R. cauleoides* are two of the most beautiful. The plants reach 1½ to 2 feet and bear several luscious blooms on each stalk. *R. Humeana* is a pure, rich, royal purple of heavy substance and the texture of greenhouse Orchids. Plant in a rich leaf-mold type of soil which is well drained but moist during dry weather. Roscoes require day long light shade except in cool northern or coastal climates. Supply limited, roots sent in late Winter or Early Spring only, each \$1.50 postpaid.

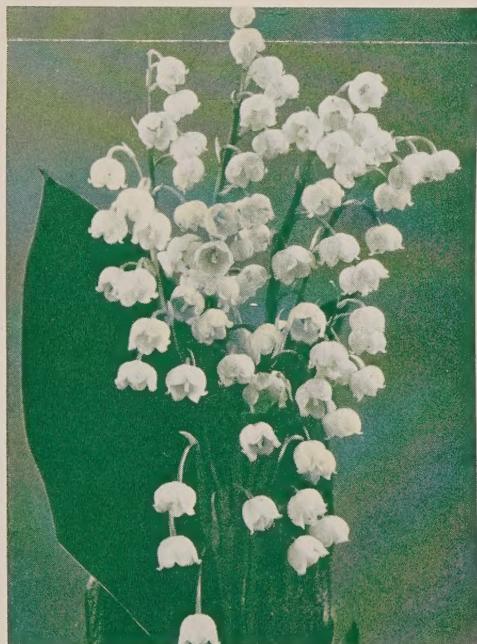


ROSCOEIA HUMEANA

1949 Debut: A NEW BELLFLOWER

CAMPANULA *Blue Cascade—Finding this chance seedling in one of our nursery beds a few years ago was one of those pleasant experiences nurserymen have occasionally. The little plant was growing among Campanula Poscharskyana and had gone, entirely unnoticed until it came into bloom. Then there was no mistaking that we had an outstanding newcomer. Since its discovery we have propagated and tested this hybrid. It has "proved out" in every respect and we are proud to offer it to our gardening friends. Blue Cascade was chosen as the name best representing the characteristics of this showy variety. It produces a compact clump of attractive foliage from which in late Spring come numerous trailing and arching foot-long sprays, reddish stemmed and laden with thousands of starry blossoms. The flowers are blue with a delicate white center and make a remarkable showing over a long period. Blue Cascade apparently is a hybrid with Campanula Poscharskyana and *C. adsurgens* as the parents. It combines the best features of both: the prolific Spring and bonus Fall blooms of the former and the tidier habit and better flower color of the latter.

Campanula Blue Cascade is very Winter hardy and its cultural demands are simple. Ordinary soil that is well drained and a sunny or partly shaded spot are sufficient for it to put on a delightful show. It is equally at home in the front of the border or in the rock garden and for cascading down a wall over the edge of a window box or ornamental urn it is unsurpassed. From pots for easy moving, each 85c, three \$2.30, six \$4.25, all postpaid.



LILY OF
THE VALLEY
PARSONS
GIANT

LILY-OF-THE-VALLEY FOR FRAGRANCE

CONVALLARIA *majalis Parsons Giant—An improved strain from Europe with fat bells loaded with delicious fragrance and well spaced on sturdy stems. This old fashioned flower is beloved the world over and this variety will please you. An excellent groundcover for difficult places in deep shade. Parsons Giant also thrives in more open locations. Pips, three for 75c, postpaid.

NOVEL COPPER AND OLD ROSE GEUM

GEUM *rivale Leonards Double—A rare double form of the quaint Water Avens from Scandinavia. The dainty nodding blooms of unusual coppery old rose create a pleasant Spring effect in the woodland garden or shaded border. The plants are only 12 to 15 inches tall and the flower stems have enough leaves to eliminate the bareness some gardeners find objectional in the taller varieties. Each 65c, three \$1.75, six \$3.25, all postpaid.

3 Collections of MINIATURE ROSES at Reduced Prices

These wee Roses are among the most delightful and charming plants in the world. They are truly "Gems of the Garden". Miniature Roses are hardy, good natured little imps that are easy to grow, long-blooming, and entirely satisfactory in every respect. They require no "fussing" or extra care and are as hardy as their full-sized relatives. You, your family, and your friends will find their daintiness irresistible.

COLLECTION 9A—3 Plants—\$2.60 postpaid.

One plant each of Midget, Pixie and Sweet Fairy.

COLLECTION 9B—4 Plants—\$3.20 postpaid.

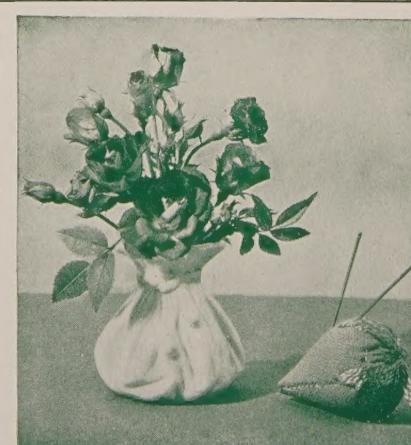
One each: *chinensis minima*, Pixie, Tom Thumb, Sweet Fairy.

COLLECTION 9C—6 Plants—\$4.50 postpaid.

One each: All 5 varieties above plus Oakington Ruby.

Please Order by Number

Minimum Order \$3.00



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SIEBOLDS PRIMROSES—Southern Cross at Bottom

Hardest of All . . .

SIEBOLDS PRIMROSE

Our Master Catalog contains a more complete description of this most satisfactory of all Primroses and offers several fine named varieties as well as inexpensive mixed colors. Below are two new varieties which extend the color range and flower form of this fine group. When given even half a chance Siebolds Primrose will reward you with a generous floral display. Blooming after Julian and Polyanthus types they prolong the Primrose season. Plant Siebolds Primrose in light shade in good loamy soil enriched with organic matter (old manure, peat moss, etc.). When hot weather arrives, they normally become dormant and lose their leaves. Red Spider Mite, leaf spot, and other pests which often attack Primroses in Summer have no chance to disfigure and injure them.

PRIMULA *Sieboldii Kokonor—Originated at our gardens and the darkest richest red produced to date. This variety was selected from thousands of seedlings grown over a period of years for the express purpose of securing improved varieties. Kokonor has blooms of exceptionally full form which possess the remarkable quality of becoming a deeper and more intense color as they age. We have yet to see anywhere a Siebolds Primrose approaching the fiery carmine red of our Kokonor. Be one of the first to have this 1949 introduction! Each \$1.00, six \$5.00 postpaid.

***Southern Cross**—A charming Canadian variety in lavender overlaid with pastel shadings and white markings. The flower shape is a fascinating "snowflake" pattern which is both novel and beautiful. A clump of Southern Cross in full bloom will bring the admiring "oh's and ah's" from your gardening friends. Each 90c, three \$2.50, six \$4.50, all postpaid.

Order These Tested out-of-the-ordinary-varieties NOW FOR PLEASURE YEAR AFTER YEAR

STATELY MONKSHOOD

ACONITUM Wilsonii—A worthy addition to the perennial border because of its Autumn blooming. The hooded violet flowers are borne in spikes often 12 to 16 inches long and create a stately effect. Even a few tubers will make a large clump in two or three seasons. The handsome foliage is glossy and cut. Well grown specimens reach 6 feet or more and are a valuable part of the Fall garden display. Suitable for ordinary well drained soil in either sun or light shade. Each 60c, three \$1.60, six \$3.00, all postpaid.

MICHAELMAS DAISY SUPREME

ASTER Violetta—A superlative hardy Aster introduced by this firm several years ago. The brilliance of the blue violet flowers in all their profusion and glory has yet to be equaled in other varieties. Despite other listings to the contrary the true Violetta grows at least 5' to 6' feet tall. It is a novi-belgii of the usual graceful vase shape and blooms in the Fall when color in the perennial border is most welcome. In a sunny spot and loamy soil you cannot grow a showier plant than Aster Violetta. Each 65c, three \$1.75, six \$3.25, all postpaid.

PINK PLUME ASTILBE

ASTILBE Rhineland—Of all the many beautiful and widely grown types of perennials the Astilbes (or Spiraea) are right at the top of the list. They thrive even in the coldest climates and produce a wealth of bloom in full sun or moist soils or in light shade under drier conditions. We are adding another fine variety, Rhineland, this season. It is a modern type of medium height (2 to 2½ feet) with glorious plumes of softest pink. Like all Astilbes of this type the foliage is attractive from the time it appears in the Spring until it withers in the Fall. Do not overlook the other grand varieties in our collection, especially the fiery red Fanal and pure white Deutschland. We are pricing Rhineland moderately so as many of you as possible can enjoy this fine plant. Each 75c, three \$2.00, six \$3.75, all postpaid.

UNIQUE HELLEBORES

HELLEBORUS foetidus—A robust species with bright green, much cut evergreen foliage which makes this an ornamental plant the year 'round. The very large heads of flowers, each bloom apple green with plum colored tips, are an astonishing sight on a sunshiny early Spring day. Here in the West mature plants are 2 to 3 feet tall and almost as broad but in colder climates they normally are smaller. Give light shade and a rich soil which has been worked deeply and mixed with old manure, peat moss, and/or leafmold. Water generously in dry weather. Pots, each \$1.00 postpaid.

lividus (corsicus)—Another vigorous type which, we think, is

even superior to *H. foetidus*. It has particularly decorative evergreen foliage with broad toothed segments of a pleasing, slightly grayish tone. The generous heads of large blossoms enliven the late Fall and Winter garden scene. This rare Helleborus is not difficult and requires the same culture as the species above. Give it ample room to reach its finest development, 2 to 3 feet. Pots, each \$1.00 postpaid.

NEW SNOWBALL SUN ROSE

HELIANTHEMUM *Snowball—We imported this variety directly from England and it is a lovely addition to our famous Sun Rose collection. The dense 8 inch plants carry hundreds of double white blooms, each with a touch of gold in the center. Sun Roses are choice but easy shrubs blooming in late Spring and Summer. They are tops for brilliant displays in the sunny rock garden, wall, or front of the shrub border or when used as ground covers on open banks. For lasting pleasure use Snowball and the other superior varieties listed in our Master catalog. Pots, each 75c, three \$2.00, six \$3.75, all postpaid.

DAINTY WHITE CRESTED IRIS

IRIS *cristata alba—Charming is the word for this very early Spring bloomer. When most plants are just beginning their Spring growth, this dainty white Iris with its gold crests is in full perfection of its lovely bloom. The miniature blossoms are just a few inches above the ground and the leaves which follow do not grow much higher. This variety soon makes a thriving colony in open sandy or loamy soils in either full sun or part shade. Each 65c, three \$1.75, six \$3.25, all postpaid.

MODERN RED HOT POKER VARIETIES

The modern trend in Kniphofias is towards hardier, shorter varieties in softer colors. Below are two selections which are distinctive and very useful for Summer color in the sunny border. Like all Kniphofias (Tritomas) they require ample warmth and sunshine and excellent drainage. They serve as strong accents in the garden and ordinarily should be used in groups and placed carefully to take advantage of their vertical lines. Flower arrangers find them especially useful for arrangements in the modern manner.

KNIPHOFIA Vanilla—The formal creamy yellow spikes are a pleasant relief from the informal outlines of most perennials. The plants are only 3 to 4 feet tall and the leaves and flower stalks are much finer than the old coarse types. Each 65c, three \$1.75, six \$3.75, all postpaid.

White Fairy—In habit of growth like the variety above but the flowers are white. This blends harmoniously with Vanilla and they make an interesting garden combination. Each 65c, three \$1.75, six \$3.25, all postpaid.

COOL WHITE FOR WARM SUMMER

PHYSOSTEGIA virginiana Summer Snow—A new perennial of great merit for mid-Summer bloom. This False Dragonhead has attractive, narrow, dark green leaves and sturdy 4 foot stems topped by spikes of close-packed, quaint, two-lipped blooms. These cool white flowers grace the Summer border for many weeks. The plants are virtually untouched by heat, drought, or cold once established. This "rugged" variety will tolerate rather poor soils and considerable neglect. Summer Snow is valuable both in the garden and as a cut flower. For permanence, reliability, and beauty you can hardly surpass this showy Dragonhead. Each 70c, three \$1.90, six \$3.50, all postpaid.

DOUBLE MAUVE SWEET VIOLET

VIOLA *odorata Marie Louise—There is little need to describe a plant as well known as a Sweet Violet. Marie Louise is as easy to grow as the singles but it is fully double and is very scarce. The delicate mauve blooms come in profusion in early Spring and are a delight to the nose as well as the eye. Give a moderately rich soil and shade; mulch in severe climates which have low Winter temperatures. Each 75c, three \$2.00, six \$3.75, all postpaid.

And It Rained . . .

Yes, and it rained some more! From early October, 1947, through early May, 1948, our section had virtually continuous storms. The final blow was the disastrous Columbia River flood. The Weather Bureau men tell us we had nearly twelve inches of rain above normal and we certainly believe them. The icy deluges kept our nursery beds and rows constantly saturated and the water even seeped under the coldframes. By Spring the loss of stock was considerable and the shortages are still with us to some extent. But worst of all was the exasperating delays in digging and packing your orders. It was impossible to get the plants out of the ground and dried fast enough to maintain even a much reduced shipping schedule. Believe us, we were more disturbed by the delays than you were!

WE ARE ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL

to those of you who showed a real understanding of the situation and exhibited remarkable patience. To those who were not so patient may we say that our organization did its best even under very difficult circumstances. Unfortunately most of our varieties cannot be stored in bins like apples and then dumped in a box for shipment when the orders come in. They are perishable in transit and must be dug fresh for each order and packed in a special way. This involves drying the tops and wrapping them carefully with excelsior as well as placing them in the cartons so there is enough air circulation to prevent molding and rotting but not so much that they dry out. These operations must be done **by hand** and take much more time than the packing methods required for seeds, bulbs, shrubs, and trees.

OUR SUPERIOR PACKING METHODS

make many, many friends for us because our plants arrive in first class condition. So if your order was delayed, please consider the reasons and accept our sincere regrets!

PROSPECTS FOR 1949 ARE BRIGHT

As mentioned elsewhere we are growing more plants in pots. This will speed up our shipping schedule and give you plants that are easy to establish in your garden. We have over half a hundred new coldframes of special construction. All are tiled to intercept underground seepage and the sash are mounted to permit rapid and easy handling. During the colder and rainier parts of the year plants will be dug and pots gathered from these frames. All this means constantly improving plants and service.

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POSTAL RATES OF 1949

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OUR MOST IMPORTANT JOB IS TO PLEASE YOU!

But we can only if you write us what you think about our plants and service. Many very helpful suggestions have come from our gardening friends all over the country. And remember, we cannot correct a mistake nor adjust an oversight if we do not know about it!

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MINIMUM ORDER \$3.00

NOT AVAILABLE IN 1949

Although the varieties listed below are not available in sufficient quantity (except as noted for Fall delivery) to permit offering them this year, we expect to have many of them again next year. We regret that we do not have these varieties for you but the rainy Winter and Spring last year caused severe losses.

Please **do not order** the varieties below **except** those marked "**ready in the Fall**". If orders are received for the others, we shall substitute varieties of equal or greater value.

Anemone fulgens	Cunila organoides
Anemone Pulsatilla alba	Cytisus Beanii
Anemone Pulsatilla albi-cyanea	Daboecia—all vars.—ready in Fall
Anemonopsis macrophylla	Delphinium Pacific Str.—marked colors.
Aquilegia canadensis nana	Dianthus neglectus
Aquilegia pyrenaica	Dryas octopetala
Arenaria larinifolia	Erica carnea Vivellii—ready in Fall
Artemesia Schmidtiana nana	Erica cinerea—all vars.—ready in Fall
Asplenium Ceterach	Eryngium Bourgattii
Asplenium Ruta-muraria	Gentiana verna
Aster Amellus King George	Geranium Russell Prichard
Aster Campbells Pink	Globular cordifolia nana
Aster grandiflorus	Hepatica—all vars.
Aubrieta Dawn	Iberis saxatilis
Calluna—all vars.—ready in Fall	Iris cristata McDonalds
Campanula carpatica nana	Iris gracilipes alba
Campanula carpatica White Cups	Iris lacustris
Campanula G. F. Wilson	Juniperus—all vars.
Campanula persicifolia T. Perry	Penstemon heterophyllus erectus
Campanula persicifolia Tower Bells	Primula Sieboldii Maidens Blush
Campanula persicifolia Snowcap	Ranunculus millifoliatus
Campanula Raddeana	Scabiosa Constancy
Campanula Saxifraga	Thalictrum kiusianum
Convolvulus Cantabrica	

Pages 44 and 45 in Master Catalog—all vars. sold out.

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